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*Republican — 9*

**Gus  
BILIRAKIS**

**RESIDENCE:** Palm Harbor, Florida  
**EDUCATION:** St. Petersburg Junior College, attended 1981-1983; U. of Florida, B.A. 1986 (political science); Stetson U., J.D. 1989  
**PROFESSION:** Attorney, college instructor  
**POLITICAL CAREER:** Florida House, 1998-present

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*Democrat — 11*

**Kathy  
CASTOR**

**RESIDENCE:** Tampa, Florida  
**EDUCATION:** B.A. in Political Science, Emory University; JD, Florida State University College of Law  
**PROFESSION:** Attorney  
**POLITICAL CAREER:** Hillsborough County Commissioner, 2002-2006

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*Republican — 13*

**Vern G.  
BUCHANAN**

**RESIDENCE:** Longboat Key, Florida

**EDUCATION:** Cleary University, B.B.A., Business Administration; University of Detroit, M.B.A.; Cleary University, Doctorate of Science in Business Administration, (Hon.)

**PROFESSION:** Founder and Chairman Buchanan Automotive Group

**POLITICAL CAREER:** U.S. Senator Mel Martinez, State Finance Chairman; Republican National Committee, Co-Chairman of the National Finance Committee, FL; Jeb Bush Finance Committee; Republican Regent, (4 years); Michigan Finance Committee, Ronald Reagan for President

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*Democrat — 16*

**Tim  
MAHONEY**

**RESIDENCE:** Palm Beach Gardens, Florida

**EDUCATION:** B.A., West Virginia University; M.B.A., George Washington University

**PROFESSION:** Entrepreneur and Businessman: Chairman and COO of Finance, Inc.; Founder and President of The Center for Innovative Entrepreneurship

**POLITICAL CAREER:**



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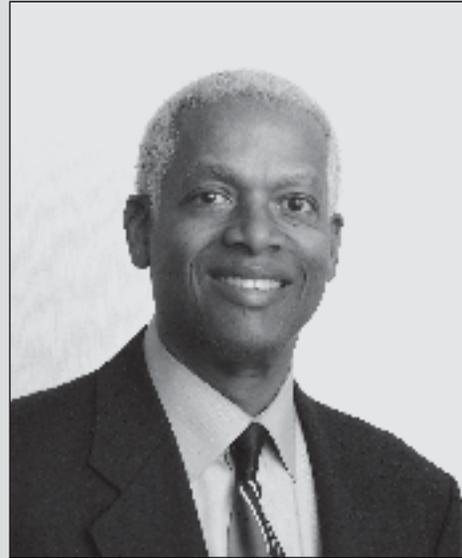


*Democrat — 22*

**Ron  
KLEIN**

**RESIDENCE:** Boca Raton, Florida  
**EDUCATION:** Ohio State U., B.A. 1979 (political science); Case Western Reserve U., J.D. 1982  
**PROFESSION:** Lawyer; lobbyist  
**POLITICAL CAREER:** Fla. House, 1992-1996; Fla. Senate, 1996-present (minority leader, 2002-2004)

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*Democrat — 4*

**Hank  
JOHNSON**

**RESIDENCE:** Lithonia, Georgia  
**EDUCATION:** Clark College - Atlanta B.A.; Thurgood Marshall School of Law at Texas Southern University J.D.  
**PROFESSION:** Attorney  
**POLITICAL CAREER:** DeKalb County Board of Commissioners, 2001-2006